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ANGEL'S GATE CULTURAL CENTER
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"FIRASKEW"

A 50 YEAR RETROSPECTIVE OF THE ART OF
GORDON WAGNER
AND THE GRAND OPENING
OF THE GALLERY'S GIFT SHOP

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH
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**SHADOWS OF A DOUBT:
MICRO-COMEDIES OF A DREAM-MAKER - Gordon Wagner**



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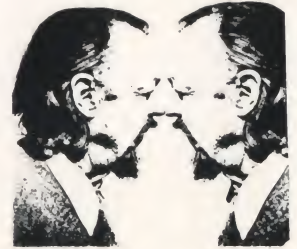


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Show runs July 18 - August 9

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GORDON WAGNER

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A continuous exhibition current through February

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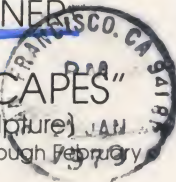
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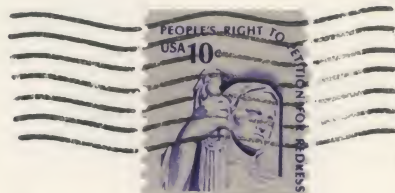


The North Sea is filled with wonderful things.

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17"x17"x6".

GORDON WAGNER



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GORDON WAGNER (1915 - 1987)



The Devil Set the Castle on Fire Assemblage 1964 55 1/2 x 15 x 15"

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To complement the UCLA/Hammer Museum of Art's showing of *Sunshine & Noir - Art in L.A. 1960-1997*, and to commemorate our twentieth anniversary, the Tobey C. Moss Gallery is mounting a series of exhibits on the foundations of California Modernist History.

ARTIST FILE

GORDON WAGNER

Outsider Art: Assemblages

September 15 - October 30, 1998

Reception: Monday, September 14 5 - 8 PM



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GORDON WAGNER

1915 - 1987

ASSEMBLAGE

September 17 - October 28, 2000

Reception:

Sunday, September 17 4 - 7 PM



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Shrine Box Assemblage 1964 32" x 17" x 9"

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GORDON WAGNER

(1915-1987)

LOST AND FOUND: ASSEMBLAGES

November 8 to December 27, 1997

Opening Reception:
Saturday, November 8, 2-5pm

Additional pieces by Gordon Wagner featured in this show include Shot at Twenty Fathoms, Agua Yoli and Railroad Man. A listing is available upon request.



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The Room of a Loser

Assemblage

1983

16 x 15 x 5 inches

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BOXED SURREALITIES

November 15th, 1992 – January 7th, 1993

Opening Reception:

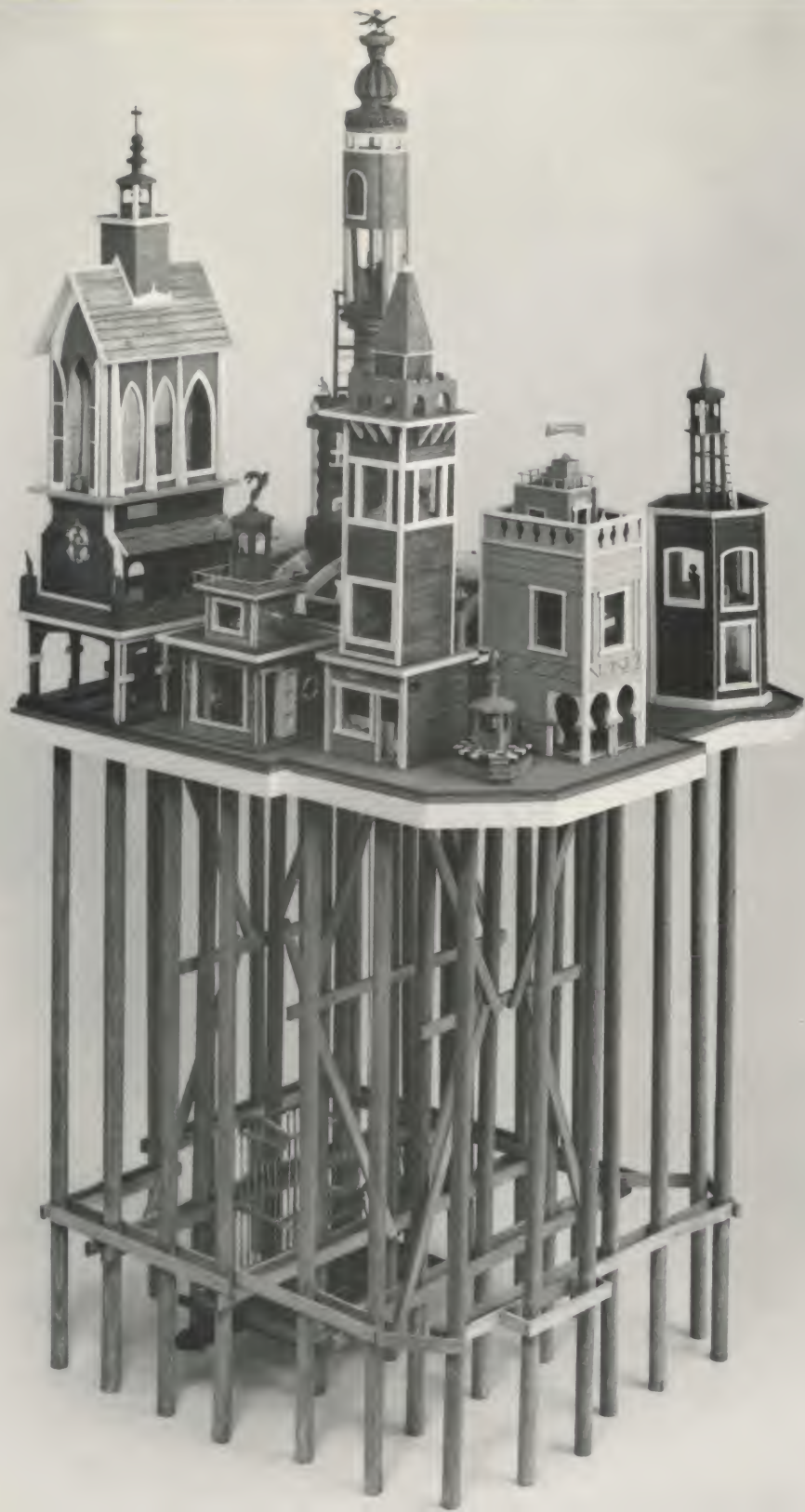
Sunday, November 15th 3 – 5 p.m.

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FIRASKEW

**A retrospective of Selected Works
from 1930 to 1986
by**

GORDON WAGNER

Curated by Penelope Fenger Cornwall

**November 16, 1986 thru January 10, 1987
Gallery Hours Thursday thru Sunday 12 to 5
Opening Reception November 15, 7:30 to 11**

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3601 South Gaffey Street, San Pedro
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Firaskew, a construction
1983 to 1986
76" h., x 39" w., x 33" d.
Photo by Janice Felgar, 1986

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GORDON WAGNER was born in Redondo Beach, California in 1915 and spent much of his childhood as an orphan, beachcombing along the shores of Redondo Beach, Santa Monica and Venice, California. He wandered among the penny arcades of the Ocean Park Pier, dazzled by the carnival atmosphere of the deteriorating beach cities, ports and boardwalks.

Educated at UCLA, and an engineer in the aerospace industry for almost twenty years, Wagner explored easel painting in his free time. The California beach culture, along with a strong sense of structure, are revealed in his surreal nighttime paintings. However, the accumulated beachcombing 'treasures' increasingly intrigued him, so that, by 1948-1950, assembling the disparate flotsam and jetsam became an overriding outlet for his creative instincts.

In the oral history made with art historian Richard Candida Smith beginning in 1985, Gordon Wagner said "My first piece was a standing piece....a group of balls on a post from a stair balustrade and an old piece of wood.If they were presented again in a new form,these old actors would be reemployed into a thing of beauty and harmony. So that was the title of my very first piece, *The Seven Actors*." *Untitled* followed soon after.

"I was always a good designer, and that all comes from liking to make things...I could show anyone what [it] looked like on the inside, backside, and all sides. And he would say 'How do you do that?' And I would say, 'I don't know. It's part of my life. I've always lived by visualizing in the three dimensions.'"

Sometimes, Wagner's cache of detritus would be augmented or diminished by bartering. His studio was a frequent 'pot luck' gathering spot for Betye Saar, John Schroeder, Michael McMillen, Nancy Youdelman, Bruce Houston, Sabato Fiorello and others. Each person would bring a casserole and a piece or two of 'extras' from his/her studio to be added to a pile in the center of the room. By the end of the evening, all the food had been eaten AND the pile of disparate objects had found new studio homes!

Gordon Wagner's inventive fusion of surrealism and abstract expressionism - as in *Two Loves* or *The Railroad Man* - has led to his work being described variously as 'witty, absurd, audacious, startling, nostalgic, irrational, touching, dramatic, humorous, punny, mythic, beautiful and inspiring'. These elements are intrinsic to all of Gordon Wagner's work; I further cite *Pieces from the Sea*.

"In the interrelationship of forms and materials, in the juxtaposition of the dissimilar, we are dealing with a sort of alchemy, a metamorphosis which resurrects the component parts into new life. In the works of art, wit and tragedy, surrealist dream image and biting irony often overlap on another." *The Mexican Night Clerk*, incorporating an ancient typewriter, rusted metal signage, toy parts, a photograph, a wooden door and faded fabrics, exemplifies Wagner's words. This 'junk art' spoke of pop culture and the artist's place therein. His assemblage balanced between Los Angeles ethnic diversity, kitschy consumerism, tourist fantasies and more parochial art world issues.

Through his creative process, Wagner tapped into the subconscious, even the sentimental. His art reflected his ability to see the world with childlike wonder. He deeply felt the miracle of existence and never lost the zest for Life.

(**) Gordon Wagner interviewed by Richard Candida Smith, 1985 - 1987.
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GORDON WAGNER

The Passion of Assemblage

November 17 through December 31, 2007

Opening Reception:
Saturday, November 17 - 12 to 5pm

Mid-City Artwalk Program - 12pm

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GORDON WAGNER



The Mexican Night Clerk
Assemblage

1960-65
82 x 34 x 5 inches

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Railroad Man
Assemblage
78 x 24 x 24 inches
c.1962



Two Loves Assemblage 1960 67" x 31" x 5-1/2"

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What inspired **GORDON WAGNER** to cruise a dump, comb the beach, scavenge through an alley? What did he see in a moldering door panel, numbers from a long-gone gate, a rusting hatch latch, a peeling sign, a spent syringe, a hopelessly knotted wire skein? What carried his creative imagination towards integrating these disparate items into new and challenging forms, into mystical and expressionistic compositions?

GORDON WAGNER was that inspired pioneer of the California Assemblage movement whose inventive vision used 'found' objects to assemble structures of beauty, spirituality, social content and wit! Examples of his aesthetic strengths in this exhibition include Two Loves, Mexican Night Clerk and The Owl-Like Clock.

We know that you will feel the power of **GORDON WAGNER's** personal vocabulary in this daring medium.

GORDON WAGNER

(1915 - 1987)

ASSEMBLAGES - 1950s to 1980s

May 18 to June 18, 1991

Reception: May 18 3 - 5 pm

FRIENDS REMINISCE ABOUT GORDON

Monday, May 20 8 pm

Reservations necessary!!

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FRIENDS REMINISCE ABOUT GORDON
Monday evening, May 20th 8:00 pm

On Monday, May 20th at 8:00, Gordon Wagner's fellow assemblagists will sit down together to talk about 'those days'. These friends include Bette Saar, Michael McMillan, John Schroeder, George Herms, Sabato Fiorello, Nancy Youdelman, Bruce Houston and Phyllis Freeman.

They will talk about their frequent pot-luck dinners and 'pools'...when each would bring a couple of miscellaneous "left-over" objects/items to be dropped into a pile in the center of the room. By the end of the evening, all the food would be eaten and every

piece of metalwork, docr panels, nostaglic photographs, broken pencil sharpeners, etc. would go to a different new owner - perhaps to appear in the next month's 'new' piece.

You are invited to attend but do call or Fax to reserve a spot.

Space IS limited!

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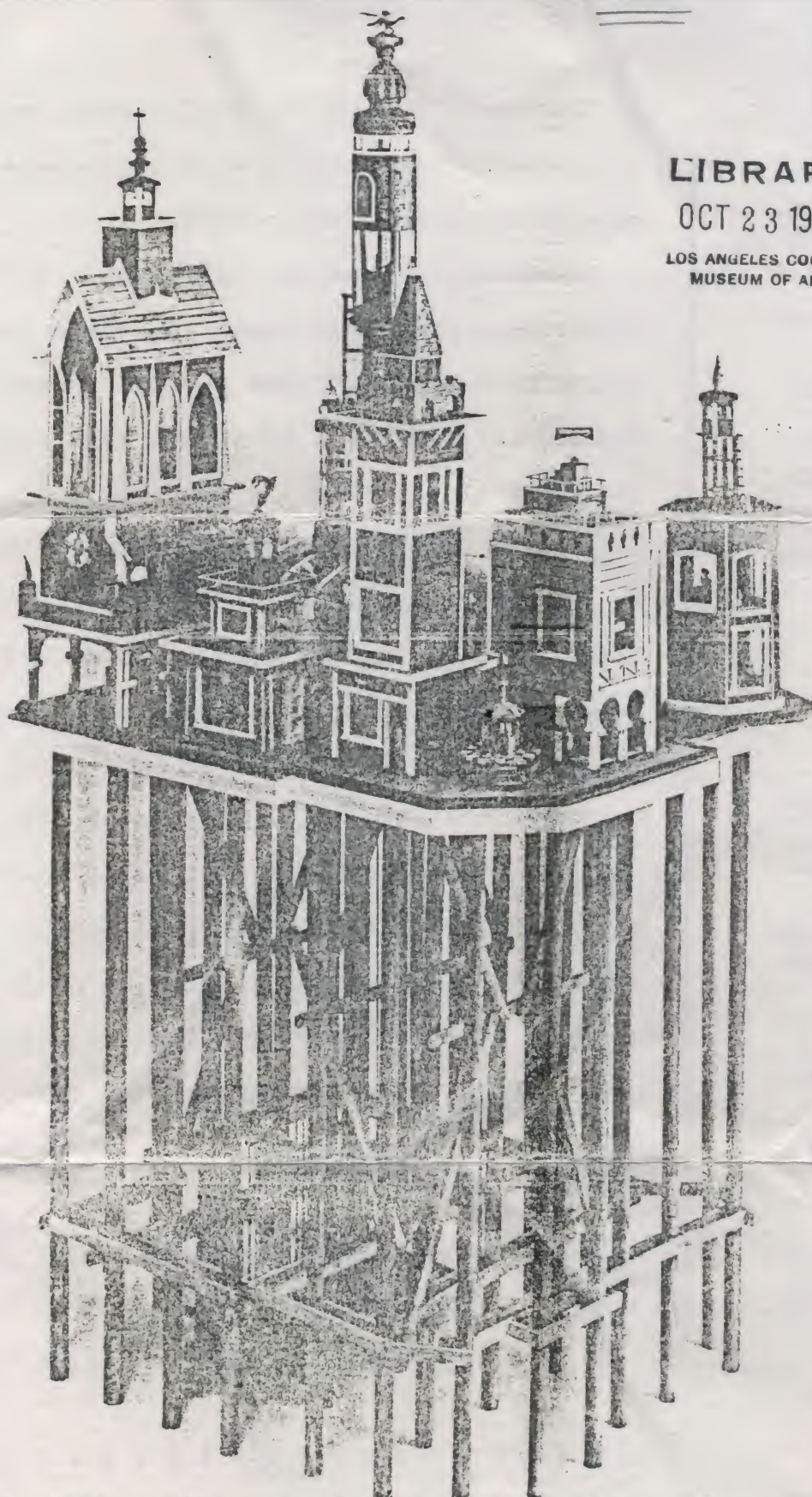
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"FIRASKEW" : A RETROSPECTIVE OF WORKS BY
GORDON WAGNER 1930 - 1986

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"Firaskew", 1983 - 1986, mixed media, 76" x 39" x 33"



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GORDON WAGNER - ASSEMBLAGES 1950s-1980s

May 18th to June 19th

GORDON WAGNER is recognized as one of the pioneers and leaders in the California Assemblage movement. From the 1950s until his death in 1987, he created sculptures that he assembled from objects found along his path...broken typewriters, driftwood, corroded sail cleats, chairlegs, abandoned dolls... These assemblages of reused items in worn and unrestored condition tell stories - narratives of romantic times before mechanical obsolescence or rejection, of ambiguous beginnings or just plain 'wearing out'.

Along the course of these thirty years, his work evolved to include constructed boxes that combined objects and paintings in witty puns, mystical secrets, pious settings or nostalgic burrowings.

GORDON WAGNER was one of the most inspired, impertinant and influential artists who invented fresh forms in this daring and challenging technique - as revealed in the works in this exhibition and through the statements of his friends/fellow assemblagists Bette Saar, Michael McMillan, George Herms, Bruce Houston, John Schroeder, Nancy Youdelman and others. These friends will gather at the Tobey C. Moss Gallery on Monday evening, May 20th to remember earlier days of awareness, creativity and fun!



Mexican Night Clerk

Press glossies available upon request

Gallery hours: 11 - 4
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WAGNER, GORDON

ARTIST'S FILE

GORDON WAGNER

LOST AND FOUND: ASSEMBLAGES

November 8 to December 27, 1997

Reception: Saturday, November 8th 2 - 5 pm

The art of GORDON WAGNER, a leader in the California Assemblage movement, is not simply the assemblage of found objects but the construction of mysteries. Through his habits of beachcombing and rummaging through dump sites

in Southern California, he discovered many 'treasures'
- driftwood, clockworks, gloves and railroad spikes.....

From these he created irrationally juxtaposed works, which became the materialization of dreams infused with irony, nostalgia and wit.

The wonder of GORDON WAGNER'S assemblage art is that many individual pieces come together to form a new and greater whole. Creations such as Carbojolic Calculator, The Mexican Night Clerk and When The Devil Set the Castle on Fire exemplify his three dimensional visualization come to 'life' through the combination of world-worn, urban remains.

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Carbojolic Calculator c.1968 19 x 18 x 10"



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GORDON WAGNER

(1915 - 1987)

September 17 to October 28, 2000

ARTIST'S FILE

The assemblages of Gordon Wagner share a sense of serendipity with the romantic and sentimental nature of memory. These elements shape and guide his sculpture, piecing together and assembling objects that make up Wagner's art.

Wagner was born in Redondo Beach. He spent much of his childhood beachcombing and wandering among the penny arcades of the Pier, dazzled by the carnival atmosphere of deteriorating beach cities, ports and boardwalks. Though educated as an engineer, Wagner began to paint. Creating art soon replaced all other thoughts. Early in the 1950s, he found 'imperatives' emerging from his piles of found items that crowded out his time at the easel. Untitled 1950, a slender object of corroded metal, influenced his subsequent years of discovery; he tapped into the subconscious, even the sentimental.

By the 1980s, boxed tableau were dominating his expressions. The fantasy of Fatamorgana is one of the most lyrical and dreamlike...an egg, floats in an expanse of blue sky; but reflected in the mirrored back... is the reverse side of the egg - revealing an image of the magician!

Wagner inventively draws upon elements of surrealism and abstract expressionism. He fuses the wit and absurdity of the Dadaists into constructions laden with nostalgia and myth. 'Audacious, touching, surprising, punny, beautiful, inspiring, humorous' - are a few more terms with which Gordon Wagner's art is described.

We invite you to create your own.



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GORDON WAGNER (1915-1987)

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Californian GORDON WAGNER was a leader in the progression of American assemblage and collage in the 20th century.



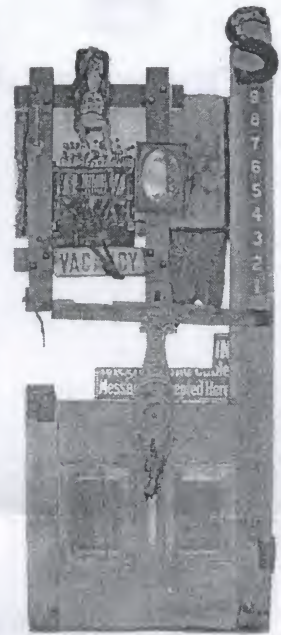
GORDON WAGNER
Piece of Pieces from the Sea Assemblage 1958
54 x 14 x 18 inches

Wagner earned a degree in engineering and art from UCLA, attended the Chouinard Art Institute, and worked in the aerospace industry for over twenty years. He began exploring art through easel painting and drawing while his engineering job paid the bills. In the late 1940s/early 1950s, he traveled through Mexico and the Southwest, continuing the influences of his childhood experiences as a beachcomber.

The assemblages he began in the 1950s reflected his sensitivity to his travels, interests, and personality. *Piece of Pieces from the Sea* testifies that, from age 12, he was an inveterate collector of washed up debris near Redondo and Venice Beaches. *The Mexican Night Clerk* (1960-65) reveals Wagner's responses to his travels, while the *Shrine Box* (1961/64) confirms his fascination with the mystical. Wagner perspective evokes a sense of nostalgia unique to his

work, *Our Lady of Guadalupe* (1985) shows reverence to Native American cultures. He juxtaposed elements of childhood with mystical rituals and indigenous cultures that he combined with wit, social commentary and satirical storytelling.

Wagner exhibited widely in a number of important shows in the United States and Europe. He showed at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, as well as surrounding Los Angeles art galleries, including the Ferus Gallery. His work was included in the seminal exhibition *Forty Years of California Assemblage* at UCLA's Wight Gallery in 1989, which brought together the most important California assemblagists, and reinforced Wagner's influence on the Assemblage movement. He also exhibited at the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, DC and the Pratt Institute Gallery in New York City, as well as galleries in England, Belgium, The Netherlands, and Sweden. Towards the end of his career, Wagner worked and exhibited at the Angel's Gate Cultural Center in San Pedro, California. Currently, Wagner's *Between Heaven and Hell* is displayed in LACMA's "So Cal" show through March 2008.



GORDON WAGNER
The Mexican Night Clerk
Assemblage 1960-65
82 x 34 x 5 inches

Gordon Wagner's assemblages combine elements of surrealism and abstract expressionism, and he is undeniably present in every piece he created.

Digital images available upon request.



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ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1976

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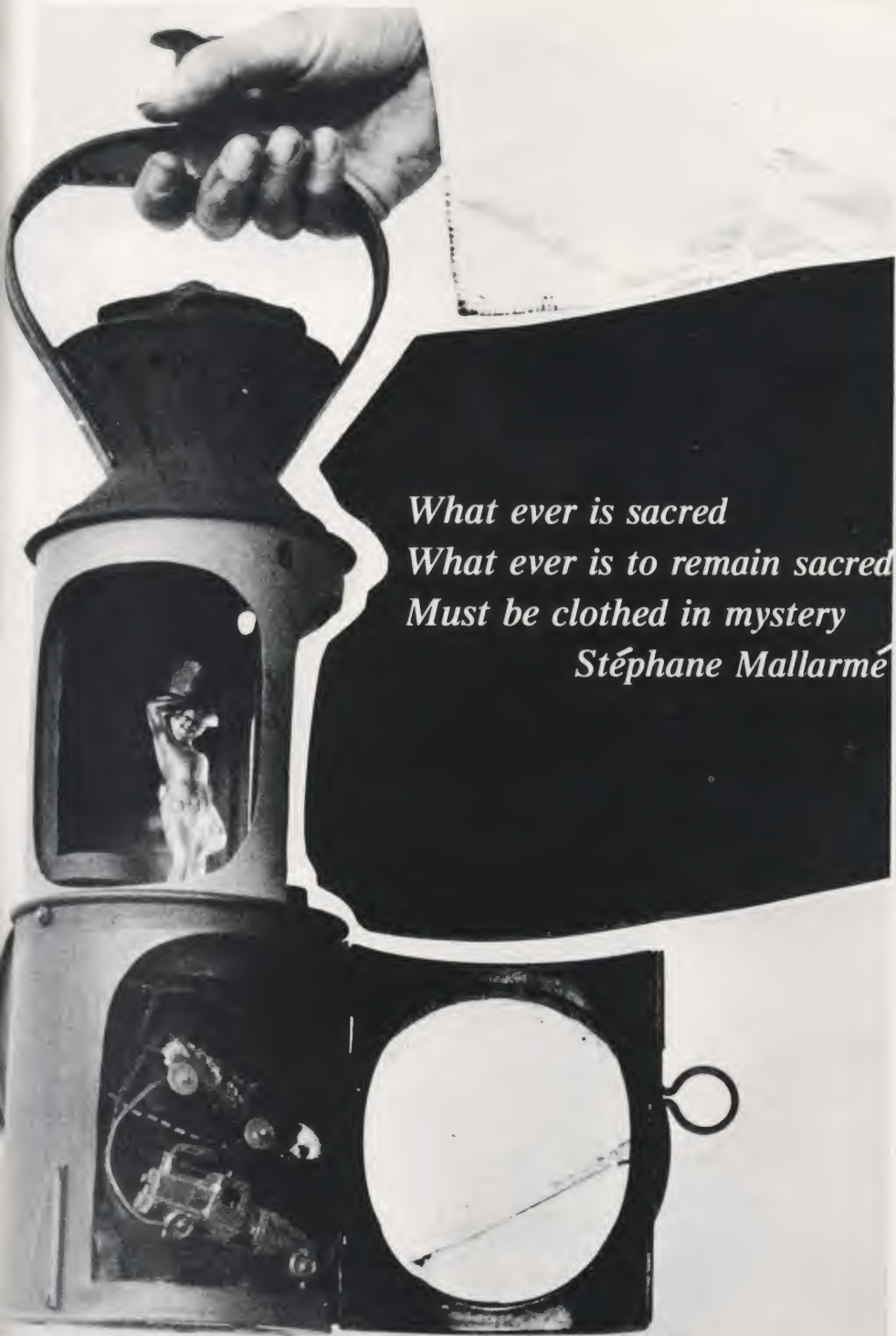
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*What ever is sacred
What ever is to remain sacred
Must be clothed in mystery
Stéphane Mallarmé*

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SVARTBÄCKSGATAN 30, UPPSALA

GORDON WAGNER

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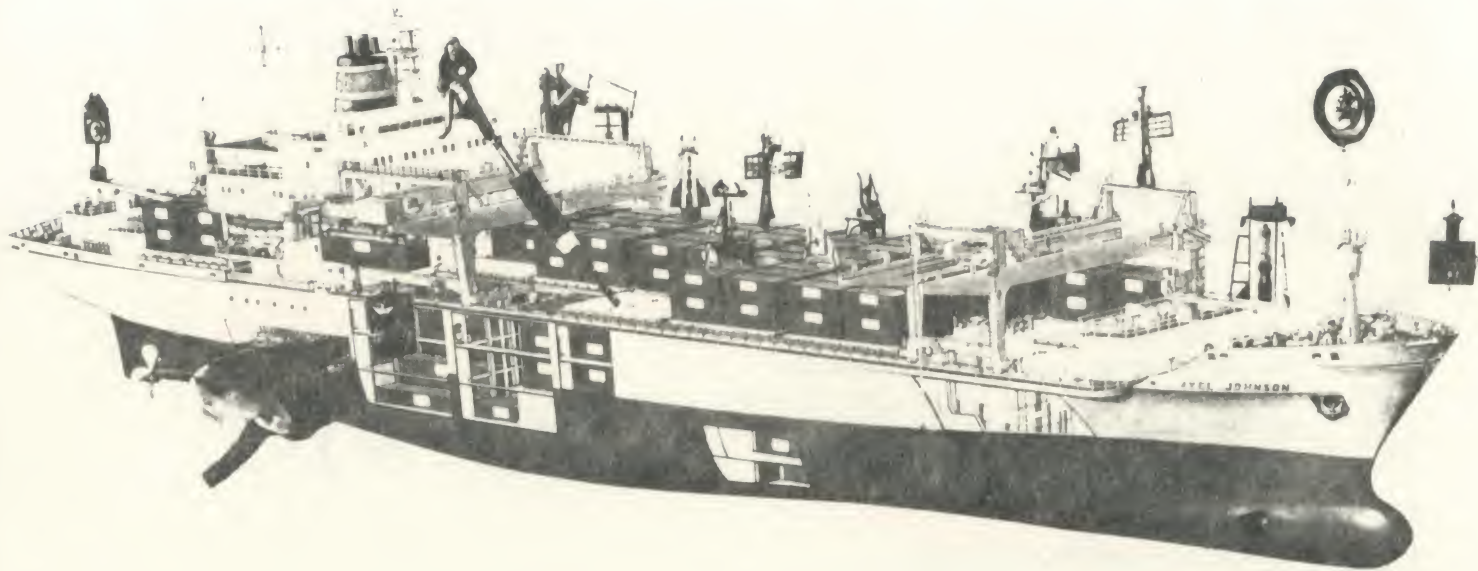
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Många konstnärer har kringgått inskränkningen som påtvingas av den tvådimensionella ytan genom traditionell målning genom införande av främmande element på bilytan. Ett av de slutliga resultaten kallas assemblage. Det kan vara som med Gordon Wagners arbeten, en relief eller lådkonstruktion, föremål eller områden målade eller lämnade omålade, ett givande och tagande mellan det färdigtillverkade eller funna föremålet och det nyligen skapade. Dessa element tillåter Wagners konstruktioner att uttrycka sig på abstrakt och symbolisk nivå. De symbolisk-poetiska kommentarerna av hans egen värld är ofta en typ av romantisk mystik som medför djup personlig övertygelse. Hans juxtapositioner av funna föremål och nyligen skapade föremål är ibland avsedda som moraliska kommentarer till vissa situationer eller framställer i visuella termer några av hans mystiska upplevelser. Wagners komplexa användning av juxtapositioner förefaller ha avsikten att skapa intensiva och behärskade psykologiska tillstånd. Han kombinerar lätt både planlösa och beräknade närmanden. Dessa tolkningar exemplifieras av svängningen fram och åter från det mystiska och analytiska till glada skratt och humor.

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Represented in many public and private collections in the United States, Mexico, and Europe. Recipient of 80 awards and has exhibited in many galleries and museums, among them :

Pasadena Art Museum- Los Angeles County Museum- Corcoran Gallery , Washington, D. C. - Butler Institute of Art, Ohio- Toledo Museum of Art, Ohio- American Federation of Arts, New York, N.Y.- Memphis State College, Tenn.- Speed Art Museum, Kentucky- Washington University, Missouri- Kent State University, Ohio- Coe College, Iowa- Chatam College, Penna.- Arnot Art Gallery, New York, N.Y. Columbus Museum of Art, Georgia- Miami Beach Art Center, Florida- Museum of New Mexico- Denver Museum of Art, Colo.- California Palace of the Legion of Honor, S.F.; Cal.- Oklahoma Art Center- Davenport Municipal Museum, Iowa- Montana State University- La Jolla Art Center, Cal.- Stanford University, Palo Alto, Cal.- De Young Museum, S.F. , Cal.- Museum of Modern Art, Washington, D.C.

Recent one man shows in U. S. A.

1969 Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, California.
1969 Comara Gallery, Los Angeles, California.
1970 Stables Gallery, (T.A.A.) Taos, New Mexico.
1971 Dwight Boehm Gallery, Palomar College, California.
1971 Comara Gallery, Los Angeles, California.

Currently represented by :

Comara Gallery, Los Angeles, California.
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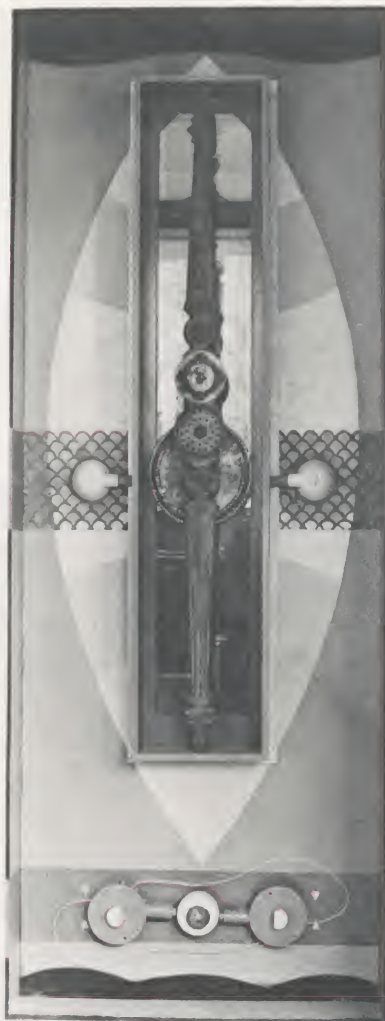
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Attended UCLA and Chouinard Art Institute, Los Angeles

RECENT ONE-MAN EXHIBITIONS

Long Beach Museum of Art, 1969

Comara Gallery, Los Angeles, 1969

Dwight Bohme Gallery, Palomar College, San Marcos, California, 1971

Konstsalongen Kavalletin, Uppsala, Sweden, 1971

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SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

Assemblage 2 and 3, San Fernando Valley State University

Los Angeles Sculpture 65, Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles

Collage, Cabrillo College, Aptos, California

Three Sculptors, Los Angeles Harbor College, Wilmington

Kinetics in Art, Brooks Foundation, Santa Barbara

66 Signs in Neon, Washington Gallery of Modern Art, Washington, D. C.

Microcosm 69, Long Beach Museum of Art, 1969

Art to Enjoy and Use, Los Angeles City Schools (Mobile exhibition),
1969

Mixed Emotions, Long Beach Museum of Art, 1970

Three American Artists, American Embassy, London, 1972

Seven Artists, Prudhoe Gallery, London, 1972

Small Environments, Southern Illinois University; Madison Art Center, Wisconsin, 1972

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